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## Top Coats—

Just the kind of weather for this—the most useful kind of a garment—Our stock is complete and in every respect is of such a character as to assure exclusiveness—What the highest class tailors are making you will find ready to wear here—

Gans-Rady Company

## MILLS DENUDE FOREST LANDS

Mills Move from Point to Point, Cutting Off the Timber.

## PENSION BOARD APPOINTED

A Case of Much Local Interest in Falmouth Appealed to a Higher Court.

All Grew Out of a Horse Treading Through Open Gate

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)

FREDERICKSBURG, VA., April 12.—Information has been received here from the Auditor of Public Accounts to the effect that Confederate pensioners under acts of 1888 and special acts cannot be paid before May 1st, and those coming under the acts of 1901 and 1902 will have to wait until September 1st. Judge A. W. Wallace, of the Corporation Court, of this city, has appointed a pension board of commissioners for this city under the recent act of the Legislature as follows: Messrs. George W. Shepherd, P. V. D. Conway and C. L. Kambach. Messrs. Simon Hine and Brother have contracted for an addition to their store at Commerce Street to cost \$3,000.

The carpenters of this city have formed a temporary union and will in a short time attempt a permanent organization.

## CUTTING TIMBER.

More saw mills are in operation in this section of the county than were ever known at any previous time. These mills move to different sections, where there are large tracts of timber, which obviate the necessity of hauling the timber to the mills, except for short distances. Mr. J. P. Turney, of Spotsylvania county, has sold to Mr. Charles A. Talley a large tract of forest land, which will at once be converted into timber.

## WANT THE EARTH IN PETERSBURG

With Diversion Scheme in Sight She Sighs for a National Park.

## WILL GO RIGHT AFTER IT, TOO

Lumber Companies Buy at Good Prices

Tracts of Standing Timber in 'Dinwiddie—A Citizens' Democratic Club Organized.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)

PETERSBURG, VA., April 12.—With the bright prospects for the success of the bill before Congress providing for the improvement of Appomattox River, the people of this city will now turn their attention toward securing an appropriation for the National Battlefield Park near the city. This matter is now in the hands of the committee from the commercial bodies of the Legislature and the Common Council, who are co-operating with the representatives in Congress. It is not known at what time the matter will be brought before Congress, but it is likely that it will be done very soon.

## TIMBER LANDS SOLD.

Mr. M. W. Sterne, of Dinwiddie Court-house, has sold a tract of standing timber, near McKinney Station, on the Seaboard Air Line Railway, to Mr. E. E. Coghill, of Boynton, Va., for \$2,500. Mr. Sterne has sold another valuable tract belonging to himself and Mr. R. Butterworth & Company, to the Brunswick Lumber Company, for \$8,000.

The Citizens' Democratic Club has been organized in Petersburg with the following officers: President, W. G. Owen; Vice-President, R. B. Taylor; Secretary, William J. Wheary; Treasurer, W. T. Mulcahy.

Rev. James Cooke, of Richmond, will address the young men's meeting at the Young Men's Christian Association tomorrow.

## MACHINISTS LEAVE.

There are left in the city only about three machinists out of those who went out at the recent strike at the Petersburg Iron Works. The rest have secured positions in other cities.

Rev. C. O. Woodward, pastor of Park View Christian Church in this city, will preach at the Christian Church in Charlottesville tomorrow.

Judge Mullen, who has been out of the city several days, has returned.

## SALE CONFIRMED.

Old Dominion Real Estate and Investment Company Chartered.

The next term of the City Circuit Court will begin on May 19th, being the third Monday in that month.

Judge Lamb, sitting in the Chancery Court, has entered an order confirming the sale of the Orange and Keyville Railroad Company, its franchises and property, free of all liens, to Robert T. Hubbard.

This decree ends the litigation so long pending between John C. Batchelder and others against the Orange and Keyville Railroad and Ellason, Sales and Company, against John J. Granville and others.

The offer of R. T. Hubbard for the road is as follows: "If hereby, on behalf of the holders of the first mortgage bonds of the Orange and Keyville Railroad Company, make you the following offer of purchase of the franchises and unsold property, being chiefly about ten miles of graded roadway in Prince Edward county, Va., that is to say, we will pay the costs and expenses of sale in cash, and pay or satisfy the Forbes and MacDonald liens, there being no other outstanding liens, as we are advised, and with in addition, we will remit the cash to accomplish this, we will produce, when required, all of the bonds ever delivered to holders, namely, thirty-one bonds. As evidence of our bona fides, I herewith file a check for \$200."

The claim of P. A. Forbes amounts to \$98.51. All liens under the mortgage deed of trust dated November 1, 1880, are discharged. The value of the thirty-one bonds to be delivered by the purchaser is not known.

A charter has been granted by Judge Wellford to the Old Dominion Real Estate and Investment Company, with a capital of \$10,000. The company will open up the timber lands at the Baltimore and Annapolis counties, and adjoining territory. Vast quantities of coal are believed to be hid away in that territory and it is the purpose of the company to bring it out.

## WANT THEM ALL.

Senate Committee Calls for Orders and Official Reports.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, April 12.—The Senate Committee on the Philippines began its proceedings today by adopting a resolution offered by Senator Carmack, calling upon the Secretary of War for all the orders, circulars and official reports received from commanders and their subordinates in the provinces of Tayabas, Batangas, Samar and Legaspi.

General MacArthur was the witness before the committee and his examination was begun by Senator Culberson. His questions related to the relationship between the native forces and the American troops when the latter first landed in Manila.

## HIS PLEA INSANITY.

Music Teacher Miller to Be Examined by Alienists.

(By Associated Press.)

DETROIT, MICH., April 12.—Professor Joseph M. Miller, the music teacher, who yesterday confessed to having murdered Miss Carrie N. Bennett, with a hatchet, was arraigned in the Recorder's Court at 10 o'clock. Judge Murphy appointed P. C. Chamberlain to act as the murderer's attorney. Attorney Chamberlain raised the question of Miller's sanity and said that while he had been unable to determine the matter, he would be determined now.

Judge Murphy, therefore, appointed three alienists to examine Miller. His plea of guilty or not guilty, was held in abeyance until this evening when the result of the alienists' examination will be known.

## To Manage Rock Island.

(By Associated Press.)

CHICAGO, ILL., April 12.—The Inter-ocean says: Charles E. Warren, vice-president of the Central Railroad of New Jersey, it is officially announced, is to be the general manager of the Rock Island system within a short time.

## HETTER FROM PELTIER'S WIFE

Says She Will Be Unable to Prosecute the Charge of Bigamy—Police Items.

The owner of a box of chewing tobacco was wanted at the First Police Station. The box was carried to the station by a negro yesterday afternoon. He found it under a house on the Chesapeake and Ohio between Eighteenth and Nineteenth Streets.

Captain Tomlinson, of the secret service, resolved to take from Senator Conception Pelkey, who claims she is the wife of Dr. Joseph Peltier, now here in

## Free Help for Bad Blood.

A Fair Offer—Medicine Cures Deep-Seated Blood Troubles—Makes the Blood Pure and Rich.

Does Your Skin Itch and Burn? Bones Ache? Have You Pimples or Eruptions? Are Your Joints Painful or Swollen? Have You Boils or Carbuncles? Are Your Muscles Swollen? Have You Scabs or Scales? Ulcers? Eating Sores? Scrofula? Eczema? Offensive Catarrh or Chronic Rheumatism? Blood Thin? All Run Down?

These symptoms indicate that your blood is diseased and you are liable at any time to have cancer, blood poison or some malignant blood trouble—your system full of humors.

Botanic Blood Balm will cure cancer, blood poison, all above blood troubles and all diseases which can be traced back to tainted, impure blood as a foundation. Here is proof:

## CURED OF PIMPLES, ECZEMA, BONE PAINS, ITCHING SKIN.



The above pictures represent what Botanic Blood Balm did for Mr. C. W. Robertson, Augusta, Ga. He says: "My face was covered with festering eruptions and pimples. I was all run down with aches and pains in bones, joints and rheumatism, and my skin itched with eczema scabs and scales. I was discouraged, as doctors and patent medicines had utterly failed to cure me. Finally I took Botanic Blood Balm, which cleared my system of all the impurities, healed every sore and ulcer, stopped all the aches and pains and gave my skin the rich glow of perfect health, and made my blood pure and rich. Botanic Blood Balm will do the same for any sufferer from bad blood or skin troubles. Yours truly,

C. W. Robertson

## CURED OF CANCER.

Mrs. M. L. Adams, Fredonia, Ala., took Botanic Blood Balm, which effectually cured an eating, festering cancer of the nose and face. The sores healed up perfectly. Many doctors had given up her case as hopeless. (If you doubt that Botanic Blood Balm cures cancer, write Mrs. Adams.) Hundreds of cases of the worst form of cancer and horrible eating sores, chronic ulcers and swellings have been cured by Botanic Blood Balm.

## CURED OF BLOOD POISON.

J. J. Rose, No. 533 North Eighteenth Street, Richmond, Va., says: "I had blood poison; my face was covered with pimples and sores from my knees to my head. Itching, itching skin; aching bones. Botanic Blood Balm killed the poison, healed every sore or pimple and made my blood pure and rich."

## ENDORSEMENT FROM "MEDICUS."

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## FREE! FREE!

To prove it cures, a sample of Blood Balm sent free by writing to Blood Balm Company, No. 195 Mitchell Street, Atlanta, Ga. When writing describe your trouble, and we will also give you free medical advice in sealed letter. In this way we offer you free help to health. It costs nothing to try.

A white man named Walter Turpin is under arrest in Lynchburg for robbery. He is wanted here on the charge of breaking into Solomon's hardware store, near the corner of Main and Eighteenth Streets, on the night of April 1st, and carrying off a lot of knives, keys, spoons, etc.

Detective Hall has been looking for him since the robbery. Yesterday he received a letter from the Lynchburg police department announcing the arrest of Turpin in that city on a similar charge. The Lynchburg case will be disposed of first.

## GIBSON MAY CONTEST.

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Friends of Councilman Gibson, of Clay Ward, are securing evidence and confirming rumors in reference to certain alleged irregularities at the Second Precinct, in that ward, on election day.

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## POOR FISHING SEASON.

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ALEXANDRIA, VA., April 12.—Local fishermen say the fishing season in this vicinity has been very unsuccessful. Half of the season is now gone, and there is little hope for the outcome of the remainder of the season.

The new club-house of the Alexandria Golf Club, on Shuter's Hill, west of this city, was opened last evening with a tea. The club-house is a model one in every particular.

## TO LOOK AFTER NATION'S WARD

Measure Introduced in Senate Will Cause Hostility.

## INVESTIGATE HIS CONDITION

Object of Measure Not Apparent Unless it Be to Stir Up Old Differences.

"Will Not Pass House," Says

Mc. Flood.

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WASHINGTON, D. C., April 12.—Senator Keen, of New Jersey, has introduced in the Senate a bill creating a commission of five to be known as the "President's Inquiry Commission," to make a comprehensive investigation of the condition of the people of the negro race in the United States, their educational progress, and the best means of promoting harmony between the races in the United States.

The term of the commission shall be three years, and each member shall receive as compensation the sum of three thousand five hundred dollars per annum, together with an allowance for actual traveling expenses.

This same bill was introduced in the House some days ago by Irwin, of Kentucky, and reported to the Committee on Labor. A subcommittee has been appointed to conduct the hearings provided for in the bill. This subcommittee consists of Representatives Warnock, of Ohio, and Bartholdt, of Missouri (Reps.), Talbot, of South Carolina (Dem.), Oving to the fact that Judge Talbot, who is a candidate for the Governorship of South Carolina, is at home looking after his interests in that direction, there has been no meeting of this committee. Upon his return to Washington a meeting will be called and the hearings given.

The failure of the Industrial Commission to make any special report upon the condition, etc., of the negro race in the United States, has been the reason for the introduction of this bill, but it is thought that the real reason is simply a desire to stir up the negro question for political purposes. How far the matter will go cannot be predicted at present, beyond the introduction of the bills and the referring them to the committees and the appointment of the subcommittee of the House Committee on Labor to conduct the hearings.

Representative Flood, who is a member of the Committee on Labor, said today that he had not been able to get sufficient information in regard to the bill to give an opinion upon it.

## WILL NOT PASS.

"I do not think," said Mr. Flood, "the measure will even pass the House, although there may be some little stir about it. The House will not go through it. Judge Talbot gets back and the hearings begin. I intend to inform myself thoroughly and accurately on the subject, and then, perhaps, I will be in a position to give some opinion on what is back of the bill as a proposition."

Other prominent Democrats are of practically the same opinion of Mr. Flood, that the bill is introduced for political purposes, but it will not go through. It is understood that Book Washington will be heard in connection with this matter.

Senator Dillard introduced in the Senate today the following bills: Providing for the removal of the legal representative of Henry H. Sibley, deceased, growing out of a contract made by Henry H. Sibley with the Government for the use of a patent invention in the manufacture of a tent known as the Sibley tent.

## WOMAN'S MISSION SOCIETY.

Will Meet Here at Centenary This Week—Some of the Features.

The Woman's Home Mission Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, will convene in Richmond next Friday for a session of six days. The day will be held at Centenary Methodist Church, and it is expected that the attendance will be very large.

The principal attractions outside of the religious services will be the presence of Bishop Granberry, who will preach on Sunday morning. Dr. J. A. Baldwin, of Covington, N. C., will address the body on Sunday evening on the factory problems of the South, and Prof. G. H. R. of the University of Chicago, University, whose theme will be "Social Settlements as a Factor of Home Mission Work."

The collections this year have exceeded any of former years, the total for the connectional enterprises amounting to \$16,197. The membership is 29,674, an increase this present year of 4,000. The connectional features of the work are aiding in building up the South, through the connection.

This year more than one hundred schools among the Cubans in Florida, the Japanese and Chinese in California, the mountaineers in the Kentucky and the miners of West Virginia and the rescue work especially in Dallas, Texas. The feature which is being pressed most at present is city mission work.

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## ANNUAL STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1901.

OF THE CONDITION AND AFFAIRS OF THE BRANCH OF THE ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY OF LONDON, ENGLAND, ORGANIZED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN, MADE TO THE AUDITOR OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA, IN PURSUANCE TO THE LAWS OF VIRGINIA.

President—E. F. BEDDALL, General Attorney for United States.

Principal Office in United States—59 WALL STREET, NEW YORK CITY. General Office in Virginia—DIME SAVINGS BANK, residence, Richmond, Va. Organized or Incorporated—MAY 1855. Commenced Business in the United States in 1851.

## ASSETS.

Value of real estate owned by the company \$2,143,090 65

Loans on mortgage (duly recorded and being the first liens on the property) upon which not more than one year's interest is due 181,000 00

Interest accrued on all said mortgage loans 837 92

Value of lands mortgaged, exclusive of buildings and personal improvements, value of buildings mortgaged (insured for \$18,000 as collateral) \$208,000 00

ACCOUNT OF BONDS OWNED ABSOLUTELY BY THE COMPANY. Market Value, Not Including Accrued Interest.

United States registered bonds 590,000 00 \$64,642 35

Territory of New Mexico Capital Bonds 10,000 00 10,000 00

United Fund Bonds 200,000 00 200,000 00

New York City Consolidated Gold Stock Bonds 150,000 00 153,957 50

New York City Corporate Gold Stock Bonds 150,000 00 153,957 50

Central Railroad of New Jersey Bonds 50,000 00 49,125 00

Chicago, St. Louis and New Orleans Railroad Co. Bonds (guaranteed by Illinois Central Railroad Co.) 100,000 00 95,000 00

Cincinnati, Indianapolis, St. Louis and Chicago Railroad Bonds 50,000 00 49,125 00

Cleveland, Cincinnati, Chicago and St. Paul Railroad Co. Bonds (C. & W. M. Division) 50,000 00 49,125 00

Cleveland and Pittsburgh Railroad Company Bonds 100,000 00 106,144 81

Illinois Central Railroad Bonds 123,000 00 123,958 88

Lake Erie and Western Railroad Company Bonds 30,000 00 29,094 04

Lake Shore and Michigan Southern Railroad Company Bonds 150,000 00 150,000 00

Michigan Central Railroad Company (Detroit and Bay City) Bonds 62,000 00 63,404 14

Morris and Essex Railroad Company Bonds 18,000 00 20,018 14

New York Central and Hudson River Railroad Company Bonds 270,000 00 270,000 00

New York, Chicago and St. Louis Railroad Company Bonds 100,000 00 93,735 75

New York and Harlem Railroad Company Bonds 50,000 00 86,711 17

New York, Lake Erie and Western Railroad Company Bonds 100,000 00 121,139 59

Pennsylvania Railroad Company Bonds 25,000 00 28,756 42

Pennsylvania Railroad Company Bonds 25,000 00 27,023 44

Pennsylvania Railroad Company Bonds 10,000 00 11,200 00

Pittsburgh, Fort Wayne and Chicago Railroad Company Bonds 14,000 00 17,230 15

Rome, Watertown and Ogdensburg Railroad Company Bonds 25,000 00 28,770 26

St. Paul, Minneapolis and Northern Pacific Railroad Company Bonds 100,000 00 110,571 66

United New Jersey Railroad and Canal Company Bonds 200,000 00 218,560 92

Total par and market value (carried out at market value) \$3,335,000 00 \$3,644,402 91

Cash in the company's office